

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS PER HUD'S FEDERAL REGISTER



“Hurricane Harvey devastated numerous communities along the Texas coast, damaging or destroying numerous affordable housing complexes. The GLO continues to work daily with communities to prioritize projects that help Texans return home.”

- Commissioner George P. Bush

Through multiple appropriations from Congress, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has allocated \$5.676 billion in Community Development Block Grants for Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds to the State of Texas for long-term disaster recovery.

HUD mandates how the funds can be used for Hurricane Harvey recovery in Federal Register notices, published August 14, 2018 and February 9, 2018. These rules include:

- Eligible recovery activities
- Program requirements, including distribution of funds to be spent on low-to moderate-income communities and allocations to HUD-identified most impacted areas
- Specific waivers and alternate requirements



70% of CDBG-DR funds must be used for activities that benefit low-to moderate-income (LMI) persons.



Texas must expend CDBG-DR funds within 2 years of obligating those funds with HUD. The state must also expend 100% of its allocation of CDBG-DR funds on eligible activities within 6 years of HUD's execution of the initial grant agreement.



CDBG-DR funds may be used as the match for other federal programs when used to carry out an eligible CDBG-DR activity.



New housing must comply with the Green Building Standard.



Any project, including housing, must be elevated to 2 feet over base flood elevation.



Second homes are NOT eligible for repair or replacement assistance. Only primary residences are eligible.



Properties assisted with CDBG-DR funds in a floodplain must maintain flood insurance in perpetuity to be eligible for any future federal assistance.



Homeowners making more than 120% of the area median income with homes in floodplains who did not have flood insurance coverage are not eligible.



Private utilities are not eligible for CDBG-DR assistance.